

6th Grade Band



In addition to their regular music class in school, all 6th graders have the opportunity to join the school band. Band is open to all 6th graders who have an interest in learning how to play a band instrument.

During the first week of school, all students in 6th grade attended a demonstration performance in which the different instruments of the band were introduced and played. The purpose of the demo was for all students to learn more about the wind and percussion instruments that make up the 6th grade band. It was also intended to help interested students better decide which instrument they would like to play this year.

At the conclusion of the demonstration, students were given a chance to ask questions about the different instruments and were all given a letter to bring home to parents concerning this opportunity for their child. Students and parents that decided that they were interested in band were then asked to return the registration form and attend an informational meeting.

After students returned the registration material for 6th grade band, a conference will be held with each student to select an instrument. **Band lessons will begin the last Monday Oct 5th.** Band meets once per week during the school day. Students have lessons in small groups of like instruments. After a couple of months the band starts to meet as a school band. Later in the year we will be combining the band students from several elementary schools to perform an evening concert.

If you have a child in the 6th grade that would like to be a part of the band and for some reason you missed the information that came home earlier, please contact Mrs. Ruohoniemi at school ASAP. Students must be involved in band in 6th grade in order to take band in 7th grade.

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